अनुदान राशि प्रदान की जाती है, वह दस वर्ष पूर्व निर्धारित की गई थी;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि कुछ राज्य सरकारों ने केन्द्रीय सरकार से इस अनुदान राशि को बढ़ाने का अनुरोध किया है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(घ) सरकार इस संबंध में क्या निर्णय ले रही है?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा. सी. सिल्वेरा): (क) से (घ) प्राथमिक स्वास्थ्य केन्द्रों का रखरखाव राज्य क्षेत्र के न्यूनतम आवश्यकता कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत किया जाता है। उपकेन्द्रों के लिए सहायता केन्द्रीय प्रायोजित योजना के अन्तर्गत प्रदान की जाती है। वित्तीय अड़चनों के कारण इन केन्द्रों के लिए सहायता की मात्रा बढ़ाना संभव नहीं हुआ है।

Shortage of beds in AIIMS

3896. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a severe shortage of beds in the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government are providing funds for this purpose;

(d) if so, the details thereof for the last three years;

(e) the further steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;

(f) whether the attention of Government has been drawn to the news item captioned ""A. Bha. Ayurvigyan Sansthan: Rogion ke bajai netaon ko swasthya sewain sulabh'' appearing in the Nav Bharat Times dated 21st June, 1994;

(g) if so, the facts thereof;

(h) the extent to which the newsitem is correct; and

(i) the steps taken to provide equal care/ attention to general public in AIIMS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

(f) to (h) Yes, Sir. The important issues raised in the news item have been in the knowledge of the Government from time to time and due attention has been paid to them. The Institute is making all out efforts to increase facilities for patient care as far as possible.

(i) No discrimination whatsoever is made while dealing with a patient in the Institute.

Abortion Pill, RU486

3897. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the news in the Times of India, dated the 8th June, 1994 that the controversial abortion pill RU486 now available in India for clinical trials should not be used without proper medical supervision according to the experts in the ICMR; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government and steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. SILVERA): (a) Government has seen the press report.

(b) RU486 alongwith Prostaglandin is still being investigated by ICMR. It is not envisaged that drugs, such as RU486, will be used as over the Counter abortificents without medical supervision.

Post of Additional Director of CGHS, Nagpur

3898. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present acting Additional Director of CGHS is much junior to about five senior C.G.H.S. doctors in Nagpur;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for giving him the charge of Additional Director bypassing five senior Doctors;